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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Joseph A. FERNANDO et al Docket No.: UNF-9058 A
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

To the Honorable Commissioner for Patents:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, hereby respectfully respond to the Office Action mailed October 31, 2005.

Submitted herewith is the Declaration under 37 C.F.R. 1.132 of Joseph A. Fernando. Also submitted with this Response is a Petition For a Three Month Extension of Time in which to respond to the Office Action and a check in the amount of \$1,020.00.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to Claims/Claims Listing begin on page 3 of this paper.

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